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1. The Title should read "Content bank for objects" in place of "Content bank for object." A copy of the front page of the application is enclosed.

A copy of the filing receipt noting the above requested changes in red is enclosed. Please issue a corrected filing receipt. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned directly at (312) 609-7536.

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ROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

[0001] The instant application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/817,917, entitled METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING DATA IN A CONTENT NETWORK and filed March 26, 2001, the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by this reference.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

[0002] The present invention relates to the transfer of object-related information across one or more physical networks particular, to a method and apparatus for processing object-related information in content networks thereby facilitating management of direct interactions with objects.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0003] It is common for entities (i.e., individuals or institutions) that are separately involved in the manufacturing, selling, utilizing and servicing of objects to separately possess information about such objects that may be of use to other entities. Conversely, entities that could benefit from access to certain types of object-related information routinely cannot obtain such information because it is in the possession of other entities with which they have no regular channel of communication. Entities are often required to go through time consuming and burdensome steps to obtain information about objects possessed by other entities.

The resulting inefficiencies are manifested in numerous ways. Companies that embed sensors in their equipment often do not have the capability to exploit that data for improved business results. For example, many industrial equipment manufacturers equip their products to provide Global Positioning System (GPS) data, but are typically unable to use such data in a meaningful way. As an extension of this problem, dynamic process interactions are often not conducted with the greatest possible efficiency. For example, underutilized truck fleets are a common occurrence because freight customers are often not aware of available cargo space.

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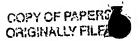
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